

Opening Remarks: My Year as UEC Chair

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My year as Chair of the RHIC & AGS UEC

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- ***Expansion of UEC Membership***
- ***Re-organization into Four Working Groups***
- ***Highlights of How Working Groups Worked***
- ***Parting Thanks***

2005 Changes to Users' Group Charter

Number of UEC members was increased from 12 to 18:

<u>The number of UEC Members:</u>	<u>Increased</u>
Elected each year for 3-year terms	from 2 to 3
Student/Postdoc Reps., 1-year terms	from 1 to 2
<i>Appointed by Chair for 2-year terms</i>	from 1 to 2

The above changes were made effective June 2005:

<u>2005 UEC Members:</u>	<u>Number</u>
Elected for 3-year terms	3
Elected for 2-year term	1
Elected for 1-year term	1
Student/Postdoc Reps., 1-year terms	2

<i>Will be appointed by Chair for 2-year terms</i>	2
<i>(Will be appointed by Chair for 1-year term)</i>	1

2005 –2006 RHIC & AGS UEC Membership

Chair-Elect (3-year term):	John Hill, ISU
UEC Member 3-year term:	Abhay Deshpande, SUNYB Matthias Grosse Perdekamp, UIUC John Lajoie, ISU
UEC Member 2-year term:	Julia Velkovska, Vanderbilt
UEC Member 1-year term:	Jim Sowinski, Indiana
Student/Postdoc Reps. 1-year term:	Sevil Selur, Yale Carla Vale, ISU
Appt. Member 2-year term:	Bill Morse, BNL Greg Nelson, Loma Linda
Appt. Member 1-year term:	Mike Lisa, OSU
Continuing Members:	Gary Westfall, MSU, Past-Chair Brant Johnson, BNL, Chair Mike Sivertz, BNL Peter Steinberg, BNL Barbara Erazmus, Subatech George Stephans, MIT

UEC Working Groups are Interconnected

Site Access and Science

- Physical Access (Visa, Guest Appointment, Gate Access)
- Computer Access (Cybersecurity, Scientific Computing)
- Safety, Training, Scientific Computing and data transfer issues

SAS: Working

FPP: Funding

Funding, Politics, and Programmatics

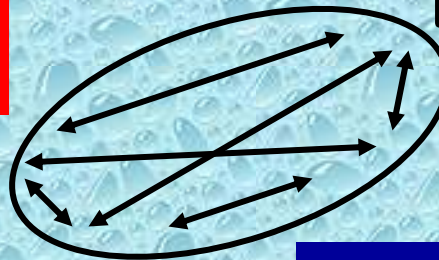
- Funding: Facility Operations, Research, and User Support.
- Political Action: Interactions with DOE, OSTP, OMB, Congress
- Programmatic Issues of broad user interest (e.g., test beams)

Meetings, Communication, and Outreach

- Annual Users' Meeting and semi-annual Users' Group Meetings
- Quarterly Open Forums, Monthly UEC Meetings, and Web Pages.
- User communication, including outreach to the wider community.

MCO: Communicating

QOL: Living



Quality of Life

- Housing, Transportation, & Food; Recreation and Socialization
- Liaisons to Association for Students And Postdocs (ASAP)
- Site Enhancements (better lighting, foot paths, maintenance)
- Agenda input for Open Forums at BNL and User Group Meetings

UEC Members are Expected to “Work” (C or m)

Convenors (C) or Members (m)	SAS	FPP	MCO	QOL
Totals of Members plus Convenors in each UWG:	9	12	9	7
Abhay Deshpande, SUNYSB		m	m	
Barbara Erazmus, Subatech	m	m		
Matthias Grosse Perdekamp, UIUC		m	m	
John Hill, ISU (Chair-Elect)		C(DC)	C(ExO)	
Brant Johnson, BNL (Chair)	m	C(ExO)	m	m
John Lajoie, ISU	m	m		
Mike Lisa, OSU		m	C(Wksh)	
Bill Morse, BNL		C(prg)		
Greg Nelson, Loma Linda	m			m
Sevil Selur, Yale (student/postdoc rep.)			m	m
Mike Sivertz, BNL	C(FVA)		C(OFrm)	
Jim Sowinski, Indiana	m			
George Stephans, MIT				m
Peter Steinberg, BNL	m	m		
Carla Vale, ISU (student/postdoc rep.)			m	m
Julia Velkovska, Vanderbilt	m	C(prg)		
Gary Westfall, MSU (Past Chair)		m		C(ExO)
Susan White-DePace, BNL (Users' Center Director)	C(ExO)	m	m	m

Parting Thanks

Term ending 2006: Mike Lisa, OSU
Sevil Selur, Yale
Mike Sivertz, BNL
Jim Sowinski, Indiana
Peter Steinberg, BNL
Carla Vale, ISU
Gary Westfall, MSU (Past-Chair)

Term ending 2007: Barbara Erazmus, Subatech
Brant Johnson, BNL (Chair)
Bill Morse, BNL
Greg Nelson, Loma Linda
George Stephans, MIT
Julia Velkovska, Vanderbilt

Term ending 2008: Abhay Deshpande, SUNYSB
Matthias Grosse Perdekamp, UIUC
John Hill, ISU (Chair-Elect)
John Lajoie, ISU

Users' Group Ex-Officio Members

BNL employees holding the following positions are registered as Ex-Officio members of the group: the BNL Director, the BNL Deputy Director for Science and Technology, the responsible BNL Associate Directors, the Chairs of the Collider-Accelerator and Physics Departments, the Division Heads of the Accelerator and Experimental Support Facilities of the Collider-Accelerator Department, and the Director of the Users' Center.

BNL Director:	(Praveen Chaudhuri)
BNL Deputy Dir. For Sci. & Tech.	(Peter Bond)
Assoc. Lab. Dir. for HEP and NP:	(Sam Aronson)
Chair of Collider-Accelerator Dept.:	Derek Lowenstein
Chair of Physics Department:	Sally Dawson
Accelerator Division Head:	Thomas Roser
Exp. Support Facilities Head:	Phil Pile
Director of Users' Center:	Susan White-DePace

Special Thanks to Users' Center Staff!

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Regina Robinson

and ... Susan White De-Pace